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**Box PATENT APPLICATION**  
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New U.S. Patent Application based on Provisional Application  
Serial No. 60/154,040  
Title: DATA PROCESSING SYSTEMS AND  
METHOD FOR CREATING EFFICIENT FLOATER  
CLASSES  
Inventor: Ross H. CORNELL  
Our Reference: 05997.0019-00000

Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

1. Application - 46 pages, including, Seven (7) independent claims and Forty-Eight (48) claims total.
2. Drawings - 55 sheets of informal drawings (Figures 1 through 5, 6-1 to 6-5, 7-1 to 7-6, 8, 9-1 to 9-26, 10-1 to 10-5, 11-1 to 11-5, 12 and 13).
3. A check for \$1,506.00 representing a \$690.00 filing fee, \$816.00 for additional claims.

Application claims the right to priority based on Provisional Patent Application No. 60/154,040, filed September 16, 1999.

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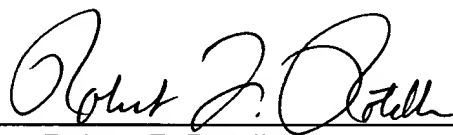
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Please accord this application a serial number and filing date and record and return the Assignment to the undersigned.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fees due and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17 during the pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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